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From: Mugdan, Walter [Mugdan.Walter@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/6/2021 12:12:40 PM
To: Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Plum Island call

There is not much of a backstory, but here it is: I am slightly acquainted with Louise Harrison of Save-the-Sound from interaction with respect to Little Neck Bay and Udalls Cove, near where I live. (I have recused myself at EPA from anything involving those waterbodies.) Anyhow, in a communication about a Little Neck Bay matter she asked whether in my EPA capacity I was familiar with what is happening with Plum Island. I said I was not, though we had some engagement with Plum Island in the past (I also remember it, though only vaguely, as a RCRA matter). She asked whether she might schedule a time to brief me and I gave her Beth's contact information.

From: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 05, 2021 4:28 PM
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I see that we are meeting with a group that is working on some visioning for Plum Island. I was not able to pull up the info from the links for some reason.

I don't really have any context here, and wondered if there was some back story/additional information? I think the island is owned by USDA, correct? Anthrax was researched there? From many, many years ago, I recall we did some inspections over there... I think RCRA?

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